The Board convened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Commissioners Morris, Stanton, and Pridemore, Chair, present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commissioners conducted the Flag Salute.

BID AWARD 2347

Reconvened a public hearing for Bid Award 2347 – Clark County Fairgrounds Electronic Message Center. Mike Westerman, General Services, read a memo from General Services stating upon review, it was found that the apparent low bidder, Garret Sign Company of Vancouver, Washington, did not meet the minimum bid specification for LED Lighting. Purchasing and Clark County Fairgrounds recommend that Bid 2347 be awarded to the lowest responsive bidder meeting all specifications, Ramsey Signs, Inc. of Portland, Oregon, in the total bid amount of \$116,324.00, including Washington State sales tax and grant authority to the County Administrator to sign all bid related contracts.

Bill Barron, County Administrator, stated that George Vartanian had asked if this was a different sign than the amphitheater sign.

Mike Westerman, Purchasing Department, replied that it is a different sign due to conflicting events. He further stated that the amphitheater will still honor their agreement for free advertisement to Clark County and the Fair Association.

Morris asked where the sign will be placed.

Westerman said it will be located north of the amphitheater sign, by Delfel Road.

Morris clarified that the sign is a communication tool for people outside the fairgrounds. Morris asked if the sign meets code.

Westerman stated that it does meet sign code and has been passed by Clark County Community Development and WSDOT.

Morris asked what the dimensions of the sign are.

Westerman said the sign is 150 ft. tall - 20x42.

Stanton requested delay of the bid award in order to receive more information regarding the sign.

There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Stanton to delay award of Bid 2347 until November 4, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners Pridemore, Morris, and Stanton voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 42)

BID AWARD CRP 331122

Reconvened a public hearing for Bid Award CRP 331122 – 2003 Transportation Safety Improvements Guardrail Installation. Mike Westerman, General Services, read a memo from General Services requesting that Bid CRP 331122 be awarded to the lowest bidder. There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Morris to award Bid CRP 331122 to Petersen Brothers, Inc., of Sumner, Washington in the total bid amount of \$154,923.50, and to grant authority to the County Administrator to sign all related contracts. Commissioners Pridemore, Morris and Stanton voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 42)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Peter McReynolds, 1703 NW 103rd Street, Vancouver, WA 98685 stated that his neighborhood has an issue with Level III sex offenders who have moved to his neighborhood in mass. Mr. McReynolds presented a map of the area to the Board. He said that there are petitions in opposition being circulated at this time. He said that the citizens are asking that arrangements be made other than what is currently being allowed – a large number of seriously dangerous people living in one place unsupervised. He said there has to be a better solution than that. He said it would be possible to somewhat control the offenders actions if they can be kept in one place under supervision. Apparently in other counties they have developed a system in which they have housing for offenders and they are generally located in one area and supervised. McReynolds asked if Clark County could get on board and figure out what works and do something about it. He said his understanding is that the woman who is running these group homes wants to bring in mentally handicapped people to fill some of the vacancies. He said he believes that has the potential for disaster.

Morris stated that there have been several individuals who have come before the board regarding this very topic and that they have had meetings on several occasions. Morris said there are legal issues involved in this issue. Some of the issues that citizens have raised are more properly brought to the legislature. She said the county is working on a method to do exactly what Mr. McReynolds has suggested. She said the bottom line is that if an offender has completed his sentence and is no longer under the supervision of the Department of Corrections, they are indeed a free citizen. Morris added that the county is advancing in trying to offer alternative housing for these offenders.

CONSENT AGENDA

There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Stanton to approve items 1 through 7. Commissioners Pridemore, Morris, and Stanton voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 42)

The Board of County Commissioners' adjourned and convened as the Board of Health.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Morris to approve items 1 through 2. Commissioners Pridemore, Morris, and Stanton voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 42)

Adjourned.

2 p.m. Bid Opening

Present at the Bid Openings:

Louise Richards, Clerk of the Board; and Mike Westerman, General Services.

BID OPENING 2349

Held a public hearing for Bid Opening 2349 – Annual Uniform Cleaning. Mike Westerman, General Services, opened and read the sole bid. Westerman said it was their intention to award Bid 2349 on November 4, 2003, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' hearing room of the Clark County Public Service Center, 6th Floor. (See Tape 43)

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Judie Stanton/s/ Judie Stanton, Commissioner
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